

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
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GROUP ART UNIT 1809

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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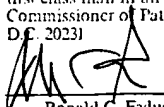
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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.129(a) FOR WITHDRAWAL OF THE FINALITY
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Dear Sirs:

Please enter this response (Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116) to the Office Action mailed on August 5, 1997 in connection with the above-identified application. This response is accompanied by a Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time and authorization for the fee therefor. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

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